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Applicants acknowledge receipt of an office action dated 31 March 2005 in the above-captioned patent application. The office action is incomplete since a copy of the reference cited on page 8, paragraph 4 of the office action (Sabo et al. Biochemistry 13:670-676 (1974)) was not provided, nor was a PTO-892 provided. This reference is not a U.S. Patent, nor a U.S. Patent Application Publication, so a copy is required to be provided to applicants.

Applicants' representative hereby makes a second request for a copy of the cited reference, a proper PTO-892, and that the statutory period for responding to the office action be re-started. A conformation receipt of the filing of the initial request, filed 5 April 2005, is also enclosed.

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